

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Case No. 2:21-CR-00017 JAM

12 Plaintiff,)

13 v.)

14 IAN HOFFMANN,)

15 Defendant.)

16 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) RELATED CASE ORDER

17 Plaintiff,)

18 v.) Case No. 2:21-CR-00244 KJM

19 GEORGE FRANCO,)

20 Defendant.)

22 Examination of the above-entitled actions reveals that these
23 actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 123 (E.D. Cal.
24 2005). Accordingly, the assignment of the matters to the same
25 judge is likely to affect a substantial savings of judicial effort
26 and is also likely to be convenient for the parties.

27 The parties should be aware that relating the cases under
28 Local Rule 123 merely has the result that these actions are

1 assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the actions is
2 effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related cases
3 are generally assigned to the judge to whom the first filed action
4 was assigned.

5 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the action denominated
6 2:21-CR-00244-KJM be reassigned to Judge John A. Mendez for all
7 further proceedings, and any dates currently set in this reassigned
8 case only are hereby VACATED. Henceforth, the caption on documents
9 filed in the reassigned case shall be shown as 2:21-CR-00244-JAM.

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make
11 appropriate adjustment in the assignment of criminal cases to
12 compensate for this reassignment.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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15 DATED: January 3, 2022

/s/ John A. Mendez

16 THE HONORABLE JOHN A. MENDEZ
17 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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